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COMMITTEE APPROVES PAYNE'S ABANDONED INFANTS LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON, DC—The House Education and Labor Committee has approved a measure sponsored by Tenth District Congressman Donald Payne to help address the growing incidence of "boarder babies," the term given to infants left at the hospital at birth because their parents are unable to care for them.

Payne's bill will strengthen the Abandoned Infants Assistance Act, and seeks to provide the necessary services to reunite children with their families.

SCHWARTZ/SMITH URBAN REVITALIZATION BILL SIGNED

TRENTON—Legislation that will create a new strategy for stimulating private sector investment in New Jersey cities was signed by Gov. Jim Florio.

The bill was sponsored by Assemblymen David C. Schwartz and Bob Smith (both D-Middlesex/Union), and would allow cities to help themselves open new avenues for private investment, stimulate commercial, industrial and educational enterprise and create the favorable conditions that result in increased economic opportunity, property values, employment opportunities and the provision of affordable housing.

The bill will expand the powers of the existing Urban Development Corporation, allowing that agency to play a greater role in revitalizing New Jersey's cities.

March motivates new movement

by Pamela D. Wilson

TEANECK — Reverend Herbert Daughtry, Brooklyn Pentecostal pastor and Charles Webster, of the African Council complemented protesters for showing support to family victims of racial incidents in the Garden State area with July 26's march.

The purpose of the march was to call attention to the escalation of police brutality and bias-

related violence; and to appoint a special prosecutor to handle killings in the Pannell, Mayne, Potts, and Hannah cases in which youths were killed by police within the last 15 months, said Daughtry and Webster.

The 100-mile trek from Teaneck to Trenton began at 6:15 a.m. and ended at 1:00 p.m. Saturday. En route to the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex in Trenton the ranks of 30 steadfastly increased to 100 as the

marchers stopped in Newark, Hillside, Plainfield, and New Brunswick respectively to pledge their support to the families who continue to mourn the loss of their children, said Daughtry.

Daughtry said that the march raised people's consciousness, keeping Philip Pannell's death and the many others who were recently killed and shot by police gunfire, a current issue in the media, and "to me one of the most important things accomplished is

what happened to the families involved, families who's hearts are broken, who have lost their children, can now gather strength and purpose.

"In any movement, the people who have been mistreated have to

develop among themselves the feeling of dignity and perseverance," the Brooklyn pastor said.

Daughtry also said, "the spirit among the marchers was high. A feeling of euphoria is what I'm

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Civic leader says a united front is essential for change

by Stacey Peterson

TEANECK — Fresh on the optimistic heels of the Teaneck to Trenton march, African Council head Charles Webster said as communities continue to deal with the increasing numbers of racially motivated incidents in the state, people must keep coming together so the pertinent issues will be addressed.

"It's important to stress the idea of unity," Webster said. "There's great strength in numbers and you need the constituency behind you."

"We're crawling before we're walking, putting together a solid base, bringing families together to show a unified front."

The bill will be very encouraging to the families who are suffering from the same injustices.

For the first time, we're putting families in the front so they can articulate their own concerns."

Webster said. He added that the current outpouring of youth is greatly contributing to the movement's foundation.

He said that during the July 26 march, where people were threatened by rain, heavy flooding, and the lightning, when they thought they could not go any farther, the young people were there to pick everyone up.

Webster said people's white some were agonizing over the pain

in their feet, one youth just took off and ran for miles to inspire the others to continue.

"It's the youth we have to save, and that's been my focus all along," Webster said.

He said that young people start things and serve as the catalysts for a lot of the protests going on in communities. Pointing out that a lot of their energies result in negative results, such as rioting, Webster said that to some degree, it is understandable.

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Reading and learning activities were encouraged for East Orange youngsters and adults at the first annual Kids Fest.

CBC: Clarence Thomas must not be nominated

by Chester A. Higgins, Jr.

WASHINGTON, DC (NNPA)—The Congressional Black Caucus is opposed to the nomination of Clarence Thomas to the U.S. Supreme Court. Make sure that's clear.

It said so in a statement soon after President Bush announced the nomination of the African American U.S. District of Columbia Appeals Court Judge to the seat vacated by the legendary Thurgood Marshall. And 10 days later, to make certain that President Bush who might have been insensitive, focusing on the fact that the Group Seven Conference in London, reads their collective lips, a baker's dozen of CBC members before a crowded press conference in the House TV-Radio room reiterated their emphatic opposition to the Bush nominee. This time with a "bill of particulars." They know Judge Thomas "who in the past 10 years has made numerous appearances before congressional committees." They have also read everything he has written, they asserted, so had no need to seek him out for more CBC questioning.

That their fury was aimed primarily at the President is evident at the end of the CBC statement which declared: "We conclude now with a message to the President. Mr. Bush, we are beyond symbolism. The Caucus has not introduced race into this debate, indeed, we opposed this nominee in spite of his race. Moreover, a Black nominee to the Supreme Court does not absolve you of your responsibility to support the Civil Rights Act of 1991."

There it is. The festering, barely contained rage. This is the President who vetoed the 1990 Civil Rights Restoration Act, has promised to veto the upcoming 1991 civil rights bill unless it eschews anything that even smells of "quotas." Never mind, that the President himself, played the "quota" game by selecting a Black Clarence Thomas to replace a departing Black associate justice. This is the President who also sabotaged efforts of civil rights organizations and business leaders to reach compromise language in the pending bill, the candidate who was the neo-racist, dirty, racist 1988 president.

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by Sharon Khadijah Vincent

The systematic brutality and oppression against our people continues to mount. Before we can recover from one horror, another is confronting us. In the time span of just one week, we have suffered more deaths from police bullets, stray bullets, lynchings, and have witnessed the acquittals of three white men who were charged with the rape of a Black woman. And, if these events weren't enough to keep your pressure up, we also found out that another crazed white man was engaged in a 15-year, killing spree of men of color. After torturing these men, apparently he would kill the victims, cut their various body parts up, and then eat some of them.

Raped. Murdered. Eaten. What else could possibly happen? Plenty, if we continue to act like we're in some hypnotic trance. When we carefully examine the events which have been revealed and exposed during the past two weeks, we should be able to see that the continuation of this brutality is directly linked to the oppressor's belief that there will be no price to be paid if our children, women and men are destroyed.

When the three white men were acquitted of all charges in the St. John's University rape trial, it was a painful reminder of the chauvinism and racism which is ingrained in this society. Black women have never received any justice from the legal system in this country to re-

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UCC's Plainfield campus gets face lift, major changes

by Stacey Peterson

PLAINFIELD — Thursday's ground-breaking ceremony for the renovation of the Plainfield Branch of Union County College is being seen as a "major commitment" to the city by UCC President Dr. Thomas H. Brown.



The August 8 "New Beginning" Ceremony at the center located on the corner of East Second and Church streets kicks off a \$2.6 million renovation project that will close the school for one full year and use the campus' status raised from "site" to "branch."

Dr. Brown explained that now, the Plainfield facility will be on par with those in Elizabeth and Scotch Plains.

He said that along with UCC's commitment, he is hopeful that the Plainfield citizens will equal their commitment to the college. He said that since each school is different, its services reflect the needs of the community. With Plainfield being more urban than some of the school's other centers, emphasis is being placed on a liberal arts curriculum with a heavy evening component as well as courses for those who use En-

glish as their secondary language. Other courses will include accounting, office technologies, computer science, data processing, and business management for the associate degree programs. General education and developmental studies courses will be available in both the daytime and evening for full-time and part-time students. Also, the school is anticipating a complete, licensed, one-year, practical nursing program.

"Half of our students in nursing come from Plainfield," Dr. Brown said as he pointed out the

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Rice bill to decentralize city schools

NEWARK — State Senator Ronald L. Rice (D-Essex) has introduced legislation that will allow the decentralization of school systems in New Jersey cities with a population of over 250,000, will provide for greater local control by residents of the schools within their districts. The bill provides for the steps necessary to take such a proposal to the public through referendum.

The legislation, which details the step by step process, permits the representatives of a ward or combined wards to petition the state Commissioner of Education to form a new education district. It

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Forum allows families to reprove police brutality

by David Wise

NEWARK — About 70 people from nearby communities attended a "speak out" at the Newark Public Library last Wednesday to express their con-



Lawrence Hamm (left), Carlton Mayse speak at recent incidents of police brutality.

The meeting was highlighted by emotional appeals from alleged victims of police brutality in the towns of Teaneck, Plainfield, Hillside, and Jersey City, and a visit from Rev. Al Sharpton who was warmly greeted during a surprise visit in the middle of the discussion.

Representatives of various organizations, including Islamic and socialist groups, were present at the meeting to voice outrage over treatment of minorities by local police, as well as provide some solutions to the problem.

Lawrence Hamm, Chairman of the People's Organization for Progress, serving as keynote speaker, told the audience they were there "to discuss strategies to draw attention to our cause." Hamm cited a report that said incidents of brutality increased 36

Rev. Al Sharpton percent over last year, and he surmised that there are countless numbers of victims that have not even been heard about.

He said police acts of violence against minorities point to "a statewide trend, a national trend. There are not isolated incidents."

Sharpton and Carlton Mayse, mother and uncle of Tasha Mayse, the 16-year-old who was killed in a van by Newark and Hillside police, took to the podium to relay their experience.

"It's very important to unite," Mrs. Mayse said. She said that her daughter was an A student with two college scholarships in her hand before being shot and killed. "A lot of issues are being ignored that we have to deal with," she said.

Kabill Tayari, president of the National Black Independent Political Party, listed several ways of combating police brutality, one of which includes having the state appoint a "permanent special prosecutor for New Jersey to investigate all acts

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CITY PEOPLE

Watson accepts NAACP Fair Share award UMDNJ is first public-sector award recipient

NEWARK—The University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) has become the first public-sector institution in the nation to receive a Fair Share Award from the NAACP.

The NAACP broke with its 10-year tradition of awarding Fair Share recognition only to corporate sector institutions because of the University's accomplishments on behalf of minorities.

Accepting the Non-Signatory Corporate Fair Share Award for UMDNJ was Ernestine Watson of Newark, N.J., assistant vice-president of the UMDNJ-Special Vendor Programs, one of the programs recognized by the NAACP award.

Inaugurated in 1981, the NAACP's Fair Share Program seeks to enhance entrepreneurial and employment opportunities for African-Americans in major corporations. The program is under the auspices of the NAACP's Economic Development Department.

UMDNJ was one of four recipients of this award and the only one that is not an official member of the Fair Share Program. It is prohibited from signing such an agreement because it is a publicly funded institution. The three others cited for their commitment to minority issues are Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company, Little Rock, Ark.; Chrysler Motors, Highland Park, Mich.; and Brown and Williamson Tobacco Company, Louisville, Ky.

The NAACP citation recognized UMDNJ for "the courage and leadership it has displayed on minority issues during difficult times for public sector institutions."

UMDNJ was cited for its efforts in expanding minority employment opportunities, including at the senior management level; minority representation on its Board of Trustees; and its use of outside minority consultants and vendors.

In commending the University's Special Vendor Programs, the citation noted that "during the 1989-90 fiscal year, UMDNJ was able to expand its minority and small business procurement activity in light of the Supreme Court's decision to invalidate the minority and women set-aside program in Richmond, Va." The Court's 1989 decision nullified the "race" and "gender" categories of Richmond's set-aside program. In response to the decision,

New Jersey revised its set-aside regulations by establishing the categories of urban development enterprises and micro-businesses (firms with 20 or less full-time employees).

"UMDNJ acted swiftly to comply with the new state regulations," Watson said.

The UMDNJ-Special Vendor Programs were established in 1986 to insure University compliance with state law creating a Minority and Women Business Set Aside Program.

In addition to the NAACP award, the program has been honored by the New York/New Jersey Minority Purchasing Council, the National Minority Business Council and the YMYWCA of Newark and vicinity.

Revised school immunization requirements

NEWARK—The Newark Board of Education, Office of Health Education is notifying parents of state mandated changes in immunization requirements for school-age children.

Under Chapter 14 of the New Jersey State Department of Health's revised immunization plan, all students entering or transferring into New Jersey schools or child care centers on or after September 1, 1991, must show documented laboratory evidence of measles immunity. The report states that a physician's diagnosis of measles is no longer acceptable evidence of measles immunity.

Additionally students born on or after January 1, 1986, must

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Brown sees 'New Beginning' for UCC in Plainfield

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importance of bringing the coursework to the students.

He said the new building will hold between 800 and 900 students and he is hoping to get that up to 1,000 next year.

Part of the college's efforts include increasing advertising in cable television, in newspapers, and on buses to complement the recruiting efforts already in place.

Construction at UCC is scheduled to begin in November of this year with a completion date of August 1992.

With the building out of commission for a year, Dr. Brown said he is hoping to use ten classrooms at Plainfield High School in order to hold evening classes but has yet to receive an answer

from school officials.

These college credit courses would include classes in liberal arts, business, and classes of the Institute for Intensive English, a program of English for speakers of other languages.

Union County College was authorized by the State Board of Higher Education on July 18 to renovate the entire three-story Logos Building, former home to the Courier News. New mechanical and electrical systems are to be installed. 11 new classrooms will be added, along with an allied health laboratory, two computer laboratories, an office systems technology laboratory, a science laboratory, an expanded library, an academic learning center, a student lounge and recreation area, and faculty and administrative offices which will be housed in the next-door

building, presently a warehouse.

Dr. Brown added that special consideration will be given to "non-traditional students," which includes single parents, those over 30, and others with unique learning situations.

He explained that SIS, Student Information Services, located at all branches of the college, can provide counseling and assistance for any student in need. Other features will include a learning center and the Employment Skills Center, a program of basic skills and job training for the unemployed and underemployed.

"We hope citizens will get involved," Dr. Brown said, pointing out that about 1350 Plainfield residents attend UCC although they may not have classes at their hometown's campus because each facility offers different coursework.

Coping

by

Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

A homosexual rumor

Dear Dr. Faulkner:

You usually write about the nice problems in life. Well, here is a bad problem. Do you have the guts to deal with it? I am engaged to someone who is wonderful. However, I heard a rumor that my friend was a homosexual. Would you marry someone who was homosexual? What should I do?

R.P. Toronto

Dear R.P.:

I would not marry a person who was homosexual. Your partner, in all probability, has a normal heterosexual sexual philosophy.

First—As you said in your letter, the allegations that your friend is a homosexual are merely rumors. They may not be true at all. You owe your friend the courtesy of assuming the rumors to be false until you obtain reliable evidence to the contrary. You certainly owe it to yourself to give your friend the benefit of the doubt and to continue to offer your love, respect and confidence until you know, for sure. Suppose someone started a similar rumor about you? Wouldn't you want to continue to receive the devotion of the person whom you love? Why risk destroying what could be a beautiful, long-lasting relationship?

An envious, jealous or evil person could easily destroy the reputation and career of someone by saying that that person has AIDS, is a thief or criminal, is homosexual, or is racist. These are among the most damaging things that could be said about anyone. Yet, that very person may be above reproach. Still, a

good person could be destroyed by rumors.

How could the person who started the rumors have obtained sufficient evidence to support the allegation? Only first-hand, corroborated evidence would suffice. In other words, the person who spreads the rumor would have to have observed the illicit sexual activity taking place, and there would have to have been another reliable person in attendance to substantiate the activity. This is very seldom the case. And most rumors tend to be far-fetched, untrue or attempts to harm the reputation of another person.

The wrong thing to do would be to change the way you respond to your friend. This would mean that you believe the rumors to be true. But, why would you believe something distasteful, when you have no evidence? Remember, someone could start a similar rumor about you. Therefore, you should treat your friend the way that you would want to be treated.

If you wish, you and your friend could have a series of discussions about a wide range of issues, and exchange view points. Better still, it would be wise for you, both, to go to a good premarital counselor who could examine your personalities, your likes and dislikes. Then, you would be given an indication of potential problem areas. You would then know which situations could develop that might threaten your prospective marriage. Premarital counseling provides an excellent insight into issues that might otherwise not be discussed until after marriage when their presence could threaten your marriage.

Teaneck to Trenton march

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like Pannell's effectively in conjunction with other organizations. "Nobody deals with the civil rights violation of what happened to Phillip Pannell and the absurd questioning without lawyers, parents, or youth officers present," the chairman of the committee.

"This is another attempt on the part of the black community and people of good will to underscore the acts of injustice and violence and to serve notice that we will continue to do whatever we can—it may be a march, it may be a demonstration—anything until we achieve our objectives," Daughtry said.

African Council member Charles Webster, a principle organizer of the march, said that in constructing the march, the African Councils aim to unite the Mayes, Pannell, Hannah, and Potts families with "the violent common thread" that bound them together.

The difference felt among the marchers at the outset of the march was dismissed by the end of the march. "Truly when you see someone else's tears, they're no different than yours," the organizer said.

Webster said that the blatant disregard for human life and black life in particular by police and officials is "indicative of a white media that seeks to isolate black issues and keep them contained within a certain community."

The African Council has scheduled a "Unity Rally" for August 18 in Bergen County. The church has not yet been designated.

The African Council, organized by three women and four men each having equal voting power, was founded in the wake of the Phillip Pannell shooting as an "umbrella group" to encompass and support youth organizations.

The African Council effectively spearheaded a blockwatch/witness protection program whereby youth were able to testify to violent crimes. To add, the Council has also professionally and psychologically counseled many youths and has as its main focus a need and desire to deal with the issues surrounding cases

Webster urges united front

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He explained that so much hatred towards the establishment is felt by these young people who have been victimized and oppressed for so long. The energies come out violently but he and his organization are working to channel them positively.

"What we've done in Teaneck is to provide psychological counseling and big brothers and big sisters to provide positive role models who will truly work with the youth," he said.

He added that other programs include: African study groups; civics courses that teach young people their rights and how to handle themselves in certain situations,

such as being stopped by the police; as well as boxing and karate lessons.

Webster explained that a primary goal is to get the young people involved with various activities to funnel their energies.

He said that the efforts of citizens and organizations like his are a firm beginning for effecting positive change. Dealing with the issues head-on can lead to future marches and demonstrations which will format the necessary political influence that can bring about these changes.

"I know it's ambitious but if we have the numbers it can be done, he said."

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Keeping minority businesses moving

In his commitment to the state of New Jersey and the small, minority, and women owned businesses (S/M/WBE's) here, Congressman Donald Payne is continuing his efforts to help these companies expand through exporting. By sponsoring forums such as the one held last month at Upsala College, he is providing assistance and information fostering the growth potential of these companies.

This forum focused on the S/M/WBE's that are interested in exporting services and products to war-torn Kuwait. Representatives from the United States and New Jersey Departments of Commerce were present to point business people in the right direction and provide useful information and materials. Also in attendance were representatives from the New York-New Jersey Port Authority as well as Accurate Information Systems, Inc., whose marketing experts had just returned from a trade show in Kuwait.

Because of forums like this, some data-rich doors are regularly being opened and the Congressman said he will continue to provide information as it becomes available to those who are interested. He also said he will encourage growth efforts for these companies and his fellow New Jerseyans. His efforts are well-received and much appreciated, and we encourage our other elected officials to follow his example. In a country where skepticism towards politicians grows everyday, it is refreshing to see a politician working to help his constituents.

Salute issue — par excellence

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to your Salute to America's Heroes, an outstanding work.

So many young men in Plainfield left to serve in the military and their stories and experiences have not been told. This is the first

chronicle I've seen specifically devoted to telling their story. If you can devote time to the oral histories of Plainfield's military veterans you will do a great service.

Cornelia Ward Van Blake
Plainfield

CBC repeats: Clarence Thomas must not be nominated

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tial campaign by scaring the daylight out of the blue collar white vote by evoking the image of the furlosh release of Black convict Willie Horton.

The CBC was in no mood to compromise with this crafty President whom it believes is cynically using the "conservative" Clarence Thomas nomination to further its own conservative agenda which is at variance with Black interests who ran game on African Americans by abruptly ending South African sanctions, and who is further dividing the American people with the "shameless quota" and "politically correct" mumbo jumbo.

Planked by fellow members on the tiny, crowded podium, CBC Chairman, Idolophus Tusne declared, "The Clarence Thomas record speaks for itself. It reflects a blind commitment to an ideology which has caused him to misinterpret, misconstrue or ignore statutory laws with which he disagrees. He has revealed an allegiance to views about the fundamental rights embodied in our constitution which are inimical to the interests of the Black community and the vast majority of the American public. Our findings show that Clarence Thomas does

not meet the standard of a nominee who will do justice to the Constitution and the legacy of Thurgood Marshall."

Therefore, the CBC said, it will organize in the Black community to insure that Judge Thomas' nomination is defeated. CBC said it was "sent to the U.S. Congress to lead, not follow. The nominee carries with it the understanding that we must not side-step difficult questions when they involve individuals, issues, or races."

The Caucus said there are "three Clarence Thomases": the man before he was appointed to chair the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the man who served nearly eight years in that position, and the present nominee for the U.S. Supreme Court.

"Which Clarence Thomas will be named to the Court? Which one will he become?" they ask. Rep. Craig Washington, (D-TX), called Judge Thomas "a dangerous thinker...a questioned Brown v. Board of Education as well as the doctrine of stare decisis (overturning legal precedent). It is ludicrous for the interests of the Black community decision with its fingers crossed...hands behind his back and hope it will be a person we

have not seen before. Our decision was based on everything he (Thomas) has written," Rep. Washington added.

Black conservatives Robert L. Carter, John Conyers, Jr., and the Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, a Washington, D.C. group that helps communities deal with social and economic problems, and Rep. Charles Stenholm, a New Jersey pastor, accused Judge Thomas opponents of holding him to unfair political standards because of race.

Rep. Gary Franks, of Connecticut, the only Black Republican in Congress, as well as the only Black member of the CBC to support Judge Thomas, declared, "I see politics at its worst being used against him."

Among members attending the CBC press conference were: Rep. John Conyers, Jr.; Charles B. Rangel (NY); John Lewis (GA); Charles A. Hayes (IL); Ronald W. Dellums (CA); Mervyn Dymally (CA); Major R. Owens (NY); Maxine Waters (CA); Barbara Rose Collins (MI); Donald M. Payne (NJ); Louis Stokes (OH); as well as Washington, and Towns.

After Thomas, who? The CBC was asked. That's up to the President. We do our job and he does his."

by Connie Woodruff

It's been a few years since a Newark police director proved conclusively he's undisciplined in charge.

That's exactly what the new director, William Celester is doing now and as expected, some of the cops are grumbling (more in private than in public), but from a citizen's point of view, it's a good thing.

Coming from Boston, a big city with problems far greater than Newark, Celester apparently knows the value of having cops do their job the old fashioned way — walking a beat and being visible as a deterrent to criminals.

One of the constant complaints in Newark has been that the downtown section was well guarded during day time hours while neighborhoods relied mostly on police cars on cruise instead of foot patrol.

That will change in the future when Celester's reorganization plan is put into high gear and cops follow his mandate for accountability and professionalism.

Most citizens and daily commuters know where trouble spots are in every neighborhood and you can believe Mr. Celester, he wants to know, too. At the present time neighborhood corners known as hot spots for drug dealers are being quickly attacked by Essex County Sheriff Armando Fontana's

office and with the added help of Newark cops the cleanup can come faster.

Local citizens will probably benefit from the fact Celester and Fontana have several things in common.

Both faced overt and covert opposition to their appointments. There was the normal disagreement because police director Celester was a "carpetbagger" — unknown to a majority of the men under his command. He came to Newark not knowing how his policemen live in or outside the city, almost completely unfamiliar with Newark's criminal community and their families but knowing that drugs, a poor quality of life, robberies, and car thefts are rampant in the city.

Fontana has suffered somewhat because he's not black and the hew and cry in Newark since last winter has been the appointment of a black sheriff and prosecutor. However, as a professional in law enforcement and second in command to a former Newark police director, Fontana is familiar with crime in the city and learned a lot about crime in the suburbs when he was an Under Sheriff. Obviously with suburban crime on the increase, there is a need for a more determined leader of law enforcement at the helm.

Therefore, it will benefit all of Essex County if a spirit of cooperation and coordination exists between the police director and the

sheriff's offices.

New Jersey has always had its share of white collar criminals, many of whom never went to trial and surely not to jail for their "victimless" offenses.

It is troubling to me that some of my friends in the corporate sector find nothing wrong with Mutual Benefit Insurance former executives receiving millions in severance pay as the company went down in flames.

Workers like secretaries, receptionists, various kinds of clerks, and maintenance folks were booted out of their jobs with hardly enough to pay the rent until they found other employment.

This is important to the single heads of households who worked for the company, to the two-income families living from pay check to pay check and to the (majority) of women who have devoted all of their work years to Mutual.

It must gall them to read about the millions the men who ran the company will enjoy as they move into retirement or look around for quite lucrative corporate jobs.

What is surprising is the number of corporate types (black included), who feel the executive millions are deserved by their recipients and the little people who damned. In the end it appears that whether one is inside the corporate boardroom or the soap sitting outside the door doesn't matter. Nei-

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dress this ugly and violent crime, which far too many of our sisters have had to endure at the hands of white men.

In the book Black Women in White America: A Documentary History the editor of the anthology, Gerda Lerner, notes the following in the preface:

"The existence of black and white relations in United States history up to the present time has been the oppression of Blacks by whites, based entirely on arbitrary definitions of white superiority. Essential to the functioning and perpetuation of this racist system of oppression has been the special victimization of Black women. This has taken several forms: 1. Black women share in all aspects of the oppression of Blacks in general; 2. Black women are objects of oppression by white men; 3. the rape of black women employed as a weapon of terror directed against the entire black community."

The reign of terror inflicted upon young women based on her testimony is revolting. To be raped and sodomized like she was by these men was horrible — and it is to be raped again by the justice system, further added to her pain and suffering. Her courage and determination should be ad-

mirated by all. Facing the white controlled press, hostile defense attorneys, negligent school officials, an apathetic community, and insensitive society, couldn't have been easy. While her attackers were not made to pay for their hideous crime, this courageous Black woman had the strength to do what many women fail to do — press charges against her assailants and willingly testify in court. The guilty verdicts should in no way lessen the significance of what this sister sought to do. Instead, it should be used to highlight the point that until we start making those who attack and murder our children, women, and men pay for their crimes of hate, we will never receive any justice.

The white men who raped this sister shouldn't feel safe walking the streets. The murderers of Yusuf Hawkins shouldn't believe that they could take this young brother's life, escape a day in jail, and then just continue on with their lives as if nothing had happened. Killer cops shouldn't believe that their badge will protect them from unjustifiably murdering their children, and their names should be publicly opposed to being punished, be awarded with promotions. No, we can keep praying and wishing that those individuals who seek to treat us like property are taken away from us, somehow will overcome their racism and sexism. Or, we can organize our brothers and sisters to deal with our enemies as Brother Martin X stated: "BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY."

When various residents of the Milwaukee black community asked the police to investigate the foul murder of the young man, confessed murderer Jeffrey Dahmer, they were ignored. Missing person reports filed by family members from some of the victims who had never been discovered, were also not responded to. There is a growing feeling of resentment in the Milwaukee black community, that the crimes were racially and sexually motivated, and that if residents of a white community had called to register complaints and reports they would have been vigorously investigated.

The response was slow, because the Milwaukee Police Department, like other police departments across this country, feel that they can get away with this behavior. They don't want to be black. They don't want to be in the black community, and operate as if they are an invading army, who seek to destroy — not protect. The fact that Black people pay taxes which provide them with education, income, ignored, and convenience forgotten. It's up to us to remind them.

I don't know how much more people will take. But, since they're not telling what's next.

their real power or the illusion of power seems to go down with the ship. Power brokers always seem to ride off into the sunset oblivious of the havoc they created and with reputations and financial futures in tact.

New Jersey's heroes of the week are Governor Jim Florio and East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper.

Both were responsible for putting some extra-money into the pockets of taxpayers.

The Homestead relief checks Florio promised to deliver to tenants and taxpayers came through and as happy recipients clutched checks (up to \$500 for some folks), in their hot little hands, one heard nothing but phrases of praises for the beleaguered governor as they smiled all the way to the bank.

And East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper wracked up a lot of brownie points when he announced a 41-point decrease in taxes for East Orange residents.

As usual, Cooper was gracious in acknowledging the help his administration received from Governor Florio, Community Affairs Commissioner Randy Primus, and Assemblyman Stephanie Bush of East Orange.

One of all the mayor promised that despite the tax reduction, delivery of municipal services will be improved. This has to be a minor miracle in the face of the current economic downturn.

Child Watch...

More than a medical challenge

by Marion Wright Edelman

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NSP) — Danielle has AIDS, is fighting for her life, and is only two-and-a-half years old. She recovered from a bout of pneumonia, but still has trouble gaining weight. She receives medication five times a day and takes liquid food supplements through a tube in her nose.

She acquired the virus from her parents, both of whom have histories of drug addiction and have tested positive for HIV. Danielle is one of an estimated 2,000 children (younger than 12) suffering from AIDS. Women and children are the fastest growing population infected with AIDS. What is startling is the disproportionate number of Black children afflicted with the disease. They account for 52 percent of reported pediatric AIDS cases.

Although the effects of HIV are hard to predict, Danielle receives good quality medical treatment, thanks to a unique

clinic.

The Special Immunology Family Clinic at Children of Philadelphia (CHOP) uses HIV-infected children and addresses the whole family's health and social service needs. Every family is assigned a case worker, who manages their care. With help from the family's case worker, Danielle's parents can arrange for drug rehabilitation for themselves, food supplements for their daughter through the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and other programs, a home aide from a local AIDS support group to take care of Danielle, and transportation to and from their next appointment — all during the same visit.

There's a growing recognition that one-stop family care similar to the kind at CHOP is critical for families affected by HIV. Since the majority of such families are poor, and many are headed by only one parent, all the daily challenges facing any family with chronically ill children are multi-

plied. In addition, since transmission from parents is the most common way children acquire HIV, parents may be too sick themselves to care for their children, or several children may be ill at the same time.

Despite all the obstacles, many families manage on their own to get the care and services their children need. The strength these families have to overcome many, many barriers to get care for their children continues to amaze me, says CHOP social worker Vicki Ellis. Even so, comprehensive, coordinated services help make sure that the care is consistent. In Danielle's case, says Ellis, "I think the child probably would not have gotten to medical appointments, except maybe in acute emergencies. The family has too many other issues to deal with."

Ultimately, coordinated services for families affected by the disease is only part of a full response to pediatric AIDS: research on a host of other urgent issues to deal with: HIV prevention, pedi-


atric AIDS research, gaps in health insurance coverage, public ignorance and discrimination against people with HIV, and the need for specialized foster care and family preservation.

No one knows better than the families themselves how much remains to be done. Ask anyone who works with them. "What do they need, for?" says Ellis. "People to understand HIV, people to allow them to talk about it like cancer, or heart disease or any other serious illness, they want people to understand that everyone's at risk. They want greater access to care. They want a cure."

To learn more about coordinated, comprehensive services for children and families with HIV, contact the Association for the Care of Children's Health, 7910

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YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

What is with this world?

All night I sit in my room thinking what is with this world because I walk down the street and see a little homeless girl. As she lay on a slashed mattress her mother stands on the corners and sells her body for pay and goes back to a tent on the street which she calls home everyday. But that isn't everywhere, it's not. Where I come from, No, I am not pertaining to the environment. I am pertaining to my background, my ancestors. Even though some of them were unknown I still have a place inside of me that knows them dearly and their place and their home.

by Shayla Dianne Clay
Age 11

Kids' Fest



Youngsters from the Children's University performed during the Kids' Fest's opening ceremony.

Hundreds of East Orange youngsters participated in storytelling, games, dramatic presentations, and other cultural and entertainment activities during the city's first Kids' Fest.

Chaired by Sandy Cooper, wife of East Orange Mayor Carlisle Cooper, the event was the

largest of its kind in the state dedicated to promoting learning and fun for children.

The theme, "Reading is Fun," was emphasized throughout all the activities with the assistance of the East Orange Public Library.

Film commission internships

NEWARK—The Educational Advisory Board of the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission is offering internships to students enrolled in film, television, and communications degree programs. These internships are available for the 1991-1992 school year and are open to students presently enrolled in New Jersey colleges and universities.

During a full semester internship in the office of the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission, students are provided with an extensive background in pre-production coordi-

nation of a motion picture. They become involved in the scouting of film locations, and the preparation of research material for presentation to production companies. Students are also afforded the opportunity to visit the sets of features and television shows being made in the state.

Interns are unpaid, however, college credits can be arranged through a student's faculty advisor. Interested students may request further information by writing or calling the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission, P.O. Box 47023, Newark, NJ, 07101, 201-648-6279.

INROADS interns attend annual conference

NEW BRUNSWICK—Seventeen INROADS college interns from the Central New Jersey area will fly to St. Louis, Missouri, on Thursday, August 1, 1991 for the annual INROADS Seniors Conference. Held yearly as part of the INROADS training for future corporate and community leadership, the conference prepares seniors to make the transition from college to the workplace. The Central New Jersey college interns will join more than 700 students from across the nation.

Dr. Ollie Malone, Jr., Director of Organizational Effectiveness and Training for the Mead Corporation, will present the keynote address. The four-day conference will focus on survival in the corporate culture, realistic expectations of work, weighing the job offer, stress management, and understanding self. It includes business sessions and social activities during which students can network with peers.

Among the scheduled speakers and workshop facilities are 25 INROADS alumni and 26 corporate representatives.

INROADS is a national career development organization that recruits talented Hispanics, Blacks and Native Americans and prepares them for positions of lead-

ership in corporate America and the community. INROADS interns receive up to four years of summer work experience at participating corporations along with personal development training. This year, the 38 INROADS affiliates have 4,600 college students filling internships with sponsoring companies in 25 states and the District of Columbia. INROADS has more than 2,700 staff. The following are names of area seniors:

Adria Brandley, Newark; Tyron Buckner, Somerset; Oscar Colpas, Paterson; Nicole Cooper, Neptune; Amy Cowan, Long Valley; Dawn Davis, Neptune; Graciela Earley, Somerset; David Elcock, East Orange; Marc Fluczynski, New Brunswick; Hasana Holden, Elizabeth; Ernesto Ince, Hampton; Cyril Johnson, East Brunswick; Patricia Johnson, Somerset; Eric Jones, Red Bank; Dionne Lomax, Somerset; Julianne Martin, New Brunswick; Richard Martin, New Brunswick; Kimberly McMichael, Piscataway; Marvin Olds, Neptune; Yvette Osborne, Montclair; Manuel Prendes, Kearnsburg; Maria Rodriguez, Orange; Kimberly Stodon, Hillside; Veronica Taberna, Orange; Cheryl Tanguay, Howell; John Valdes, Holmdel.

by Terry Benjamin

It's time for a little show and tell. The topic under consideration is the most vicious party jam of the summer, a dance floor delight and parent's fright called "O.P.P." from a rap trio from East Orange, New Jersey, that call themselves Naughty By Nature. The members include two rappers: Treach (Anthony Criss, age 20) and Vinnie (Vincent Brown, age 20) and a DJ KG (Kier Gist, age 21). The "O.P.P." track can be heard on car booming systems throughout the summer while the video is in heavy rotation on outlets like Video Jukebox, MTV, and BET. The tune is familiar at once because it samples from "ABC" by the Jackson Five, the group that launched the careers of the Jackson brothers, most notably Michael Jackson, Jermaine Jackson, and Randy Jackson.

"O.P.P." takes off from a familiar musical base and cooks up a musical stew that is far from the innocence of "ABC." This track features an electrifying vocal performance by Treach that speaks directly to youth in a language most parents and adults will not understand. As Treach raps: "It seems I gotta start the explainin', but it's..."

Vinnie also sheds some light on the subject: "We knew a guy who was a drug dealer who'd take over other people's blocks. He'd always say, 'I'm down with other people's money.' We edit, change it, and make a rap out of it. 'O.P.P.' for 'Other People's Money' became 'O.P.P.'"

It has also become one of the biggest hits of this hip hop summer with its live keyboards, dope beats and razor sharp lyrics as Treach raps:

New for the ladies O.P.P. means something gifted. The first two letters the same, the last is something different. It's the longest loveless lean I call it the least.

It's another five letter word rhyming with cleanness and meanness.

I won't get into that I'll do it all... sort of properly I'll say the last P humm... stands for property.

As Treach explains further in a recent interview: "We want to let people know we ain't to be played with. We want our records to have a street message, to let people know what our neighborhood is like. If 'O.P.P.' is any indication, things are very hectic with mate swapping going on a grand scale. But Treach raps 'Don't be shocked' and goes on to explain how this concept works:

Have you ever known a brother who had a girl or wife And you had to stomp her for some cause he looked just that nice? You looked at him he looked at you And you knew right away He had someone but he was gonna be yours anyway. Because rappers are so close to the experiences that they relay, it is no surprise to hear Treach rap about his own O.P.P. adventure

Kid's Kalender

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

PLAINFIELD — Black Gold African Kulture Arts Center presents A Children's Conference/Seminar, featuring new rappers, obstacle courses, music, poetry and refreshments will be held at Rutherford Field, West 3rd St., from 2-4 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

PLAINFIELD — Third Annual Watoto Wa Afrika Youth Festival at Plainfield Public Library Park on College Place from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Place in the community, new or never. Rides, celebrities, vendors and more. For information call 908-754-9388.

CAN'T TOUCH THIS

Naughty By Nature: Down with O.P.P.



O.P.P., how can I explain it?

I'll take it frame-by-frame it

O is for y'all jumpin' shoutin' sayin' it

O is for other, P is for people, scratch your temple

The last P, well, that's not that simple

It's sorta like a - well, another way to call a cat a kitten

Naughty By Nature
O.P.P.

that took place after an argument with his girlfriend. He finds himself in the arms of her best friend. Treach raps: "That wasn't the thing! It must've been the way she hit the ceiling/Cause after that she kept comin' back an catchin' fellas/said 'Let's go my girl is comin' so ya gotta leave'."

Although this bed hopping may be rampant there are some rules. "When you get down you can't be runnin' off at the mouth," Treach raps. "That's rule number one in this O.P.P. establishment! You keep your mouth shut and it won't get back to her or him."

The "O.P.P." this new catch phrase for teen promiscuity, is se-

ductively, exuberantly, served up by Naughty By Nature and one wonders how many real life sexual encounters it will provide background music for, especially for those who are really down in "O.P.P."

In the meantime Naughty By Nature must be applauded for clearly and cleverly putting a particular reality on record. How will they deal with those who see their message as negative? Treach says: "It's fine to be positive but like we say on one of our records, positive ain't where we live."

But with the help of Queen Latifah, Naughty By Nature has already gone beyond their ghetto roots.

"Naughty By Nature is definitely one of the most talented acts," said Queen Latifah. "They have the best lyrics and production. Plus, they're from my hometown." They have also become members of The Flavor Unit, a hip hop community that includes Queen Latifah, Lakim Shabazz, and producer Mark the 45 King.

Naughty By Nature sees themselves as products of their environment as Vinnie explains it: "Being from a ghetto environment, there's not really a lot to do unless you have YMCA's and stuff. You'll be out there in the streets doing things that you shouldn't." Treach adds: "Our name describes us. We are on the mischief tip, having fun."

Whether one's idea of having fun is "O.P.P." there is no denying the truth of that reality for some or the talent of this rap trio. Treach has made a name for himself in the hip hop music field as a result of his performance at the 1990 New Music Seminar MC Battle for World Supremacy and his touring with Queen Latifah. "I wanted him to have the experience of being out there live, testing the crowd," said Queen Latifah. "It was great to see him flaunt his talents in front of thousands of people. He was excellent. He ripped it."

Naughty By Nature continues to rip it and tell it like it is on their forth coming album entitled "Naughty By Nature" due from Tommy Boy records in late August. The themes they explore include police harassment, teenage pregnancy, and fatherless children as they rise to hip hop prominence. Treach has the last word: "I wouldn't come out and say we're the number 1 group ever. But there's nothing phony about Naughty By Nature."

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

MONTCLAIR—The Magic of Music is presenting the "Dreamscape" Concert featuring Fred Boyer's Song of the Journey toward from 100:230 p.m. at the Montclair Kimberly Academy, 510 offering.

SECAUCUS—Father Ralph DiOrio will be holding a faith healing service with the New Jersey Evangelical Convention Center. Services begin at 12 Noon. For more information, contact Robert Donnell, (201) 330-7773 or (800) 243-9774.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

NEWARK—Ecumenical in Nature Rally, Rev. & Dr. J.L. Turner, Evangelist and Founder, will hold his 2nd 20th Century Evangelical Summit Conference at the Newark Public Library, 5 Washington St. Public invited.

Rice bill to
decentralize
city schools

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requires that the petitioners serve notice of intent on the governing body, board of education and county superintendent of schools. The Commissioner would analyze that from all parties concerned and determine whether to hold a public hearing on the issue. If a public hearing is held, the Commissioner must decide within 15 days of the hearing whether to grant or deny the application.

If the Commissioner gives consent, a special school election is to be held within the ward, or wards if more than one ward is involved, to decide on whether to create a new school district. If the voters agree, then a new school district will be formed at the beginning of the next ensuing school year.

Members of the original school board who reside in the newly-created school district would become members of the new school board and continue until their previously elected terms are up. Unfilled board seats will be filled by the county superintendent until their successors are elected at the next annual election.

The new board would prepare and submit a budget to the voters in the new district, and the division of city school property from the original and newly-formed district will be handled by the county superintendent according to state statutes.

Commenting on his new legislation, Rice recognized it as "controversial, particularly within the city of Newark." He expects the bill to meet with resistance from the Executive Superintendent of Schools and some school board members, "just as everything else I do on behalf of students and taxpayers as it relates to education in Newark."

Newark Superintendent Eugene Campbell could not be reached for comment on the senator's proposal at press time.

"It is obvious that our school system is failing," Rice said, "in some instances because of a lack of leadership and accountability as well as because of the lack of parental, educational, and administrative involvement in the decision making and directional process."

"Many feel that the present system is too large for the person, the Executive Superintendent, to manage alone. Newark, has five separate wards, each with greater population than all but a few cities in the state and several times larger than the average school district. And while there is much talk of regionalization of the small school districts in the state, there is a need to decentralize Newark's large district."

Rice emphasized that his bill was not a mandate, but instead, provides "an option for citizens by way of petition and referendum, an opportunity to determine whether they, the taxpayers, parents, and voters within a particular ward prefer to have their own school system and leadership."

He noted that this bill would allow each ward to go its separate way, annex with another ward, or remain with the present system. "It allows for greater parental involvement; provides more accountability and spending oversight; and creates an opportunity to identify and develop leadership with creative ideas, commitment, and a vision for the future."

South African sanctions: pros and cons

by Daniel Marolen

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NPA) — President George Bush's lifting of sanctions against South Africa has both pros and cons. To the Africans inside and outside the country, as well as all anti-apartheidists around the world, it was a thunderbolt from the blue. But, to the ruling racist Afrikaners who dominate and monopolize the country's political life, the lifting of sanctions was mainly from above. Thus, the act was a disillusionment to the opponents of apartheid, and a boon to the racist regime who now feel jubilant and triumphant. All over the land, Afrikaners lift up bonfires in celebration of President Bush's lifting of the economic sanctions. President Bush's action was a turning point to the ruling Afrikaner clique, and a crushing blow to all opponents of apartheid who saw Nelson Mandela's release from prison in February 1990 as the beginning of the end of apartheid and the advent of the democratization of South Africa, where the African population enjoys no citizenship rights and participation in government, and years for the early demise of apartheid.

But, why hurry to lift sanctions, and not to end apartheid? Instead of simply nibbling at apartheid, why not abolish it in toto? Why not hurry to enfranchise the African population, and abolish the mad balkanization of the country into concentration camps called Bantustans? Or, why not distribute the land to the African people in forms of racial differentiation?

However one looks at the act of lifting the sanctions, one cannot escape the fact that the act has ended the global struggle against the wicked policy of apartheid into a fiasco which will only delay the democratization of the country by several years.

Nevertheless, America's in-

Revised immigration
requirements

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provide immigration records showing a minimum of four doses of DTP (diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine), with one dose having been administered on or after the child's fourth birthday.

Children born on or after January 1, 1985, must also show a minimum of three doses of oral polio vaccine, with one dose having been administered on or after the student's fourth birthday.

Immunization records must also show that students have received rubella and mumps vaccines administered on or after the child's first birthday. However, regulations requiring a 10 year adult Td or tetanus booster for continued school enrollment has been eliminated.

For more information on immunization requirements, contact the Newark Board of Education, (201) 753-7150.

Interest-free loans for
Plainfield business owners

PLAINFIELD — Business owners in the Urban Enterprise Zone are taking advantage of the interest-free loans available under Plainfield's "Sign and Facade" Improvement Program.

Pierce Baugh, Executive Vice-President and Marketing Director of United National Bank, the local institution which has agreed to make such loans under the program, reports that as of July 15, over 30 businesses have received grants or interest-free loans. Additional requests have been approved and are currently being processed for distribution.

"This is very encouraging," Baugh said. "Commercial and business interests in the Urban Enterprise Zone are beginning to get the message that these funds are available for property improvement. Just as important as the interest-free feature of these loans is the fact that this is a locally-administered program with a minimum of red tape, and we should see many requests for funds as that fact becomes better known."

The "Sign and Facade" Improvement Program was put into operation nine months ago and is jointly administered by the nonprofit Plainfield Business Development Corporation, Plainfield's

intervention in South Africa's racial problem is a welcome phenomenon because black and white South Africans cannot by themselves solve their country's racial problem without the intervention of a third party. But, for America to succeed in ending apartheid and its concomitant problems, America must fully understand the problem and the aspirations of the victims of apartheid who have been held down in subjugation for the country's political life. However, America's aid to the liberation movements merits everyone's appreciation, and is a step in the right direction.

But, without a ray of doubt, the lifting of sanctions will delay

the process of negotiations and democratization of South Africa. The movement towards black-and-white negotiations towards a new non-racial constitution has been jolted and confused by Bush's action. But there is also a possibility that the lifting of sanctions may also lead to the speeding up of steps towards early constitutional negotiations and the demise of apartheid.

But, why did President Bush not seek wiser counsels before plunging heading into lifting the sanctions? Why was this column not heeded when it frequently cautioned that Nelson Mandela had been betrayed and dragged out of prison against his wish to

remain in incarceration until his people were free? Mandela's goal of democratizing South Africa was foiled by President de Klerk whilst this column acted as a timely whistle-blower—in vain. Did we not say that President de Klerk and his racist henchmen were not sincere and genuine reformers, and that they stood for white domination and the re-introduction of apartheid in newer guises? Or, did this column not point out that Mr. F.W. de Klerk was a fraud because of his opposition to the universally accepted democratic concept of majority rule? President de Klerk simply ignored the whistle-blower who timely cautioned him of the

dangers of his dilly-dallying with the implementation of change which he was mandated to put into practice.

Still for all, President Bush's lifting of the economic sanctions against South Africa leaves some hope, and speaks volumes, when he says that the battle towards ending apartheid must continue until South Africa become a democracy in the fullest sense of that term. In this regard, everyone is in full agreement with the American President, and no time should be lost in closing all ranks and putting the shoulder to the wheel in an effort to bring an early demise to the evil scourge of apartheid.

Liberians celebrate notable
achievers during benefit banquet

by Stacey Peterson

EAST ORANGE — Three individuals along with a Liberian church were honored with distinguished service awards last Saturday night during a banquet in recognition of the 144th anniversary of Liberia's independence.

Father Thomas Hayden, Anthony McWayne Jackson, Hiram A. Ruiz, along with the Liberian Christian Fellowship Church received their awards at the Peppermint Ballroom as part of a banquet sponsored by the Liberian Coalition for Relief, Settlement, and Reconstruction, Inc.

During dinner, tributes to each honoree were read to the stood before more than 100 of their peers, where their noteworthy accomplishments towards the betterment of Liberia were pointed out.

Father Hayden did 10 years of missionary work in Liberia where he taught at Palma High School, was Associate Director of Catholic Relief Services, established the first Credit Union in Liberia, formed a Cooperative Societies in Maryland County, and established St. Anthony Parish in Barabek, Maryland County. He was appointed President of Our Lady of Palma college in 1963 and named Vice-General of the Diocese of Cape Palmas.

Now, a great part of his work focuses on improvements for Liberians in Liberia itself as well as the United States.

Some of his activities include the delivery of a paper at Howard University on Social and Political Change in Liberia in the years 1980 to 1985; hosting the Liberian Studies Library, Washington, D.C. in 1985; testifying before the U.S. Congress on human rights violations in 1985 where he asked for a cut off of all military aid to Liberia; visiting the Liberian refugees in Monrovia, Sierra Leone, and Cote d'Ivoire in 1990; and several more.

His accomplishments are be-

lievably innumerable and have distinguished him as one of the best Liberians ever known, which was stated by Dr. Emmet Dennis, chairman of the coalition.

Mrs. Jackson, the second honoree, serves as legal counsel to the coalition pro bono. Her services include the incorporation of the coalition as a tax-free humanitarian organization, which she did by herself. She is a member of the Board of Governors of the coalition and is heavily involved with many of the fundraising activities.

She has met with some of Newark's city leaders as well as those of the state in behalf of the Liberian cause, and has become the coalition's public relations officer regarding the country.

Along with her work for Liberia, she also serves on the Board of the United Hospital Medical Center, the Studio Museum in Harlem, the Garden State Bar Association, and Friends of the Newark Public Library. She is also a member of several other organizations and manages to run a solo law practice in Newark.

Hiram Ruiz, another honoree,

has been recognized as the media expert for the Liberian cause. He has been in newspapers, magazines, made testimonies before the U.S. Congress, and even made a video called "Liberia, A Friend in Need."

Ruiz has been involved with refugees for almost ten years. He worked with the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees in Somalia and Sudan, Refugee Action in the United Kingdom, and also worked as the former deputy director of the District of Columbia's Office of Refugee Resettlement.

As well as writer for several publications, he has testified several times before the Senate and House Subcommittees on African Affairs including drafting the proposed Liberia Relief and Reconstruction Act.

Ruiz has met with several representatives of organizations from governmental agencies to churches in order to help resolve some of Liberia's problems.

Saturday's last award recipient was the Liberian Christian Fellowship Church located in Newark. Mary Blake accepted the

award for the church which was formed by a group of Liberians. Formal services began in 1985.

The church was conceived in order to address the unique needs of the Liberian community which could better be served by a Liberian church.

Initial meetings were held in people's homes, then moved to the Hopewell Baptist Church. After that did not work out, services were moved to the home of the Rev. Joseph Johnson until the church was able to rent out space. Members are currently in the process of acquiring the church's own building.

The church and the coalition members work together in order to organize relief efforts and share relief supplies. Coalition members call the church a pillar of strength and solace for the community.

On Sunday during the Ecumenical Intercessory Unity Service, at the Abyssinian Baptist Church, other honorees included: Father Oliver Chapin; Dr. Joe Martin; the Human Rights Watch; and the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights.

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Governor Wilder speaks of himself and Jesse Jackson

by Franklin Tate

WASHINGTON, DC (CNPA)—In an exclusive interview for the NNPA, the nation's only black governor, L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia, spoke by telephone like the unannounced candidate for President that he is.

Fresh from a 10-day European trade mission that took him to London, Brussels, Warsaw, Hamburg, and even Taiwan, however, Gov. Wilder was born into humble beginnings. One of eight children, "my father was an insurance salesman, and my mother raised a family...in between, she did domestic work," he said.

A divorcee of 13 years, Wilder has three children. His only son, L. Douglas Wilder, Jr., is an attorney with his father's former law firm in Richmond.

The nation's only black governor since Reconstruction is a product of historically black colleges. "I graduated from Virginia Union University," he said, "and received my law degree from Howard University Law School."

Before winning the governor's seat, he served in the Virginia senate and won his first statewide election by becoming lieutenant governor.

Wilder is very proud of the fact that his state's population is only "about 19 percent black, and (the black) voting population is about 15 percent," he said, "and I received over 41 percent of the

white vote" in the gubernatorial race of '89.

With such resounding proof of ability to attract white votes, the governor formed a committee to explore his prospects for the Virginia three months ago. He made his second trip to Iowa, the first caucus state, in early May and campaigned as though he were an announced candidate.

When asked if his bachelor status might become a liability should he seek the Presidency, he responded, "I don't think so. People are really interested in where you stand on issues." But he conceded, "There is no question, there'll be great scrutiny."

When asked about Jesse Jackson's possible third presidential run, he said, "I'm not sure about the black and liberal votes, he answered, "No, I don't think that

any person running would be a reason for me not running."

"(Two weeks ago) on 'Meet the Press,' I encouraged Jackson to run if that's what he wants to do," the governor said. "I think he should because he has a message that he feels the Democratic Party needs to hear."

Wilder said he and Jackson have "talked about speculation relative to him and relative to me," but he said the two unannounced presidential hopefuls "have not talked about what either will do if he decides" to toss his hat in the ring.

When asked how he would describe his relationship with Jackson, he said, "He's a friend. We've been friends for almost 30 years." They are members of the same fraternity, "Omega, that's how I first met him in '62."

Rallies in support of St. John's rape victim

Pamela D. Wilson

NEW YORK — Reverend Herbert Daughtry announced two upcoming rallies to be held in support of the young Jamaican St. John's rape victim who was brutally sodomized by three former white students.

The justice claimed that there were inconsistencies because the victim did not tell the police that she had been beaten by their genitals, disregarding expert witnesses' testimony that in those situations a person is disoriented," Daughtry said.

Daughtry agreed with the victim's brother who said, "The notion that my sister or any woman would consent to such graphic and violent abuse," is inhumane and unbelievable.

"They have no understanding, no sensitivity, no humanness toward this woman as a woman and as a black woman," Daughtry said. "In a sense the 'not guilty' verdict symbolizes the centuries of abuse to which women of African ancestry in particular and African people in general have been subjected with impunity," added Daughtry.

August 1 marked the day of the mobilizing rally in preparation for a mass rally in support of the victim and her family. The rally was scheduled for 7 p.m. at the House of the Lord Church at 415 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn, New York.

Among the speakers were, the elder brother of the victim and a St. John's Professor of Theology, Loretta Bevo, former teacher of the victim who said she believed

her sister was abused, said the pastor of the Pentecostal church.

The mass rally is scheduled for August 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. at 26 Federal Avenue in Manhattan. The object of the rally will be to give supporters the opportunity to express outrage and empathy for the victim in the St. John's case as well as all sexually abused women, demonstrate support to Charles Rangel's call for the Civil Rights Department of Justice to investigate the possible violation of the young victim's civil rights, and address the continuing problem of racism and sexism.

"In a thousand different ways sometimes blatant, sometimes subtle, African people have been dehumanized and most of the time justice has not prevailed," said Daughtry.

East Orange jazz concerts rescheduled

EAST ORANGE—Two concerts in the Jazz at the Plaza Summer Concert Series have been rescheduled as follows: Pianist, Onaje Allan Gumb will appear Tuesday, August 13 and the Harper Brothers will perform on Tuesday, August 20.

WBGA Day, a tribute to the Newark based JAZZ 88 radio station will be celebrated on August 20 with a presentation by Mayor Cardell Cooper and light refreshments in the lobby of City

Hall from 5 to 6 p.m.

Both concerts begin at 6 p.m., with Tina Stafford starting things off for Onaje Allan Gumb and Bradford Harper opening the show for the Harper Brothers. The performances will be held at City Hall Plaza, corners of Martin Luther King Boulevard and North Arlington Avenue. Concerts will be on the dates indicated rain or shine. Parking is available. For more information, call (201) 266-5119.

Bobby McFerrin and Shirley Bassey highlight pops series

NEWARK—The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra's summer series at the Garden State Arts Center will conclude with four popular programs. Guest artists will include Marvin Hamlisch, Bobby McFerrin, Michael Feinstein, and Shirley Bassey. NJSO Assistant Conductor Peter Rubardt leads three of the concerts.

On Monday, August 12 at 8:30 p.m., Peter Rubardt leads a concert featuring Gershwin's "Overture to Girl Crazy" and "An American in Paris," followed with selections by Marvin Hamlisch which include music from "Chorus Line," "Sophie's Choice," "Ice Castles," and "The Way We Were," among others. On Thursday, August 15 at 8:30 p.m., Bobby McFerrin will conduct works by Bizet, Faure, Verdi, J.S. Bach, Gounod and Beethoven, and will perform a

capella vocal selections. For the concerts featuring Michael Feinstein on Wednesday, August 21 at 8:30 p.m., and Shirley Bassey on Wednesday, September 4 at 8:30 p.m., programs will be announced at a later date.

The Garden State Arts Center, designed by the distinguished American architect Edward Durrell Stone, is a magnificent circular amphitheater with more than 5000 seats under the roof and additional lawn seats. The Center is situated in the 400-acre Telegraph Hill Park in Hightstown, surrounded by natural woodlands crisscrossed with walking and fitness trails that are open year-round. To get to the Garden State Arts Center, take exit 116 on the Garden State Parkway. Ticket information for the NJSO concerts at the Arts Center can be obtained by calling 1-800-ALLEGRO or 201-624-8205.



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CITY BUSINESS

Payne's forum provides helpful hints for exporter potential

by Stacey Peterson

EAST ORANGE — Owners of small businesses as well as those owned by minorities and women, were given some advice last Monday morning on pursuing opportunities in Kuwait during a forum sponsored by Congressman Donald Payne and Upsala College.

Representatives from Accurate Information Systems, Inc., New Jersey Department of Commerce, United States Department of Commerce and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey explained that one of the major keys to success in Kuwait is having a viable product or service to peddle.

Speakers agreed that it is necessary to obtain a Kuwaiti agent who will be able to put companies in touch with the right people in Kuwait and since Kuwaitis are very astute business people, patience and perseverance should be employed at all times.

Edward J. Lewis, director of marketing at Accurate, said that his company took part in a trade show in Kuwait where they realized the importance of having the proper contacts as well as keeping the realities of business in the proper perspective.

He said that a lot of services are needed in Kuwait but companies have to be genuinely committed to doing business outside of the United States. He said that things like the time difference, the distance from America, and the expenses should be taken into consideration before any contracts are signed.

Edward Burton, foreign trade specialist for the New Jersey Department of Commerce, Division of International Trade, pointed

out that labor should not be a focal point for anyone looking for employment and business opportunities in Kuwait. He said that with so much competition from the Philippines and Thailand for workers, there is no real need for Americans to try that route unless they have specialized labor skills.

He pointed out that what is needed are consumer products, refrigeration and air conditioning products, dairy and agricultural supplies, and automobile parts.

He too stressed the necessity of an agent. Burton explained that Kuwait business people are shrewd, price conscious, and demand high quality which in many cases can be found in European and Asian companies. An agent will be able to physically monitor opportunities as they grow in Kuwait since it is not always economically feasible for a small business owner to actually be in the country.

For examples, he explained that a cup of coffee costs \$3, a dinner for one person costs \$50, and a one-night stay in a hotel costs \$150.

"We can put you in contact with the right people if you have a viable service or product for the right market," Burton said.

Paul Strucinus, a foreign trade specialist who works with Burton, explained that the Department of Commerce is driven to help increase the exports of New Jersey companies on a day-to-day basis.

"We analyze their uses, determine where they stand and tie it in with our expertise," he said.

Strucinus said that the Department of Commerce provides interested companies with educational materials, directories of service companies in the state, a newsletter of events which usu-

ally features a guest speaker, as well as an abundance of people who can help by answering questions and putting people in the right direction.

He encouraged business owners to use the resources provided by his organization as well as those of the other groups who attended the forum because they tend to complement each other.

Felipe Roca, International Trade Specialist of the Commerce, International Trade Administration, agreed saying that there is a lot of assistance available for business owners if they would contact these different entities.

He also stressed the need for agents and explained that his organization can match people with agents, distributors, as well as lawyers who specialize in international trade.

Along similar lines, Angelo DiNunzio, assistant director of the Port Authority said that his organization "can take a company and hold it's hand," for exporting endeavors. He explained that a small business, minority, or women-owned business can sign an agreement with the Port Authority who will help the company with sales, marketing, and any other necessary aspects to business.

"We're not in the business to make money," he said. "But the key is for you to make that commitment. If you honestly intend to succeed in international trade then sit down with us."

Monday's forum, which was also hosted by East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper, is part of an ongoing endeavor by congressman Payne to encourage small businesses and those owned by minorities and women to export their products to Kuwait as

well as invite Kuwaitis to extend business opportunities to these types of companies.

The congressman said though that the buck does not stop with Kuwait as there are other countries including Ethiopia, Mozambique, Angola, and Liberia who will be rebuilding their war-torn

countries soon.

"There will be a lot of opportunities abroad and I want this region to be the premier region for this kind of activity," Payne said.

He added that any and all information that comes to light will be made available for these business owners as soon as possible.

The New Jersey Department

of Commerce can be reached by calling (201) 648-3518. The U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration can be reached by calling (202) 377-3808. The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and its XPORT Trading Company can be reached by calling (212) 435-3077.

Business

Exchange... Name dropping

by William Reed

WASHINGTON, DC (UPI) — Can you name the five most powerful blacks in America? Who among people of color has any real authority and influence over large groups of people and/or institutions? If you named Jesse Jackson, Ron Brown, Bill Gray, or mayors David Dinkins, Sharon Pratt Dixon and Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, you've identified people who do have great influence over Black American thinking and political actions. But they're also people who should be held responsible for the current shape we're all in. These people hardly have any real authority and clout in the fundamental processes that impact day-to-day life and living in America. If you are looking to gain real "parity" in America you have to remember that "the business of America is business," and only when you have black thought-leaders in capitalism and free-market processes will you have the parity, prestige, and power that will make you totally equal in this land of the free.

If we all begin to take note of the bang that backs have in American society, we will under-

stand that the Speaker of the House of Representatives is not one of the five most powerful whites in America. Charles Brown of AT&T, Robert Stempel of General Motors, Harold Poling of Ford, Jack Welch of General Electric, and Allan Murray of Mobil are chief executives of five major U.S. businesses and have such authority that they delegate their underlings meet with the Speaker of the House, and even the President. People who provide jobs, commerce and tax payments are real powerbrokers in the American society.

If we really want to name, and recognize, blacks with authority and influence in America, we should get away from internalizing media stories about those blacks who seek out cameras and reporters and start to note black reference sources that put forth entrepreneurs and professionals who are really making meaningful contributions toward the commercial development of Black America. Publications such as *SuccessGuide 1991*; *The African-American Blackbook Reference Guide*; *The National Register of Who's Who in Black Corporate America*; and *The Black Resource Guide* are

sources available to us for direct access to real African-American power and authority.

The reason so many of us think that politicians and blacks-appointed-to-positions-by-whites are our leaders is because we've been programmed by the media. The May 1990 issue of *Ebony Magazine*, for example, lists "The 100 Most Influential Blacks" in America. This list includes: 39 politicians and political appointees; 31 organization executives; 13 judges; 7 church leaders; 3 entertainers; 2 military officers; and only 5 business executives. Although *Ebony* says that these people have "the ability to greatly influence the lives, thinking and actions of large portions of the nation's black population," they hardly can be identified as people who can influence the lives of many Americans. The president of G.M. alone influences the lives and livelihoods of more people than all of the *Ebony* 100 combined. Blacks such as John Johnson, A.G. Gaston, Reginald Lewis, Percy Sutton, Joshua Smith, Yahweh Ben Yahweh, William Kennedy, and the late Bishop McCullough are people of our kind who have really been doing the business of America.

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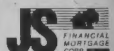
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WILLIAM P. SYNDER
Executive Director

Date: August 7, 1991

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Robert P. Gross, Executive Director
ATLANTIC CITY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

NJ TRANSIT PUBLIC NOTICE

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GOAL
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Your comments on the goal are encouraged and will be used for information purposes only. The public has thirty (30) days to request a description of the goal. Comments on the goal are encouraged and will be used for information purposes only. The public has thirty (30) days to request a description of the goal. Comments on the goal are encouraged and will be used for information purposes only.

The Urban Mass Transportation Administration and NJ TRANSIT will accept comments on the goal for forty-five (45) days from the date of this notice. Inquiries may be directed to NJ TRANSIT at the above address.

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A View From the Sides Lines

Patrick Ewing — More money or Self-determination?



by Fern Taylor

Are you going to listen to all the ruckus by fans and media alike and bow Patrick Ewing? To coin a phrase, don't believe the hype.

I know you've heard the story surrounding Ewing's arbitration case against the Knicks. In the final analysis, Ewing has, unjustly I might add, come out looking worse than the scowl he used to intimidate folks flying through the lane for a hoop.

This is how this writer sees the situation. My man Patrick decided, for whatever reason, that he wanted to be in a position to call the shots, to market his own services to prospective NBA buyers. Nothing wrong with that, is it? Consequently Patrick, his agent and a battery of lawyers decided to allow an arbitrator to test a clause in his 10-year contract which stipulates that he must be

among the four top paid players in basketball or else become eligible for restricted free agency at the end of six years. Self-determination, Kujichagalia, if you will, is what Patrick was after.

Well, Ewing lost his case and will have to settle for \$14.2 million over four years instead of \$33 million over six years — for now anyway. That's the real crux of the problem — most people look at this as a case of more money, more money. Money doesn't buy happiness — your Bible will tell you that. So if we could just remove ourselves from the millions involved, we would see that this was strictly a personal business decision on Ewing's part. A good business decision? Maybe, maybe not. Time will tell.

This whole Ewing saga reminds of the saying "hell hath no fury greater than a woman scorned." In this case, the New York area fans and media feel scorned by one seven-foot Jamaican born brother adorned with a deft fade-away "J" from the

baseline, a strong desire to win, and, according to others, a tendency to disappear come crunch time.

It's an emotional thing. And like any broken relationship, the tongue lashing is vicious. "What do you mean you want to get out of your contract, Patrick, you signed it didn't you?" they ask. "What, you don't like it here?" Well, who needs you, get lost!" they say, along with this tired, stupid phrase, "how many championships have you brought us, anyway?"

In essence, all the frustration Knicks fans have had — over Al Bianchi's questionable trades (Cheeks for Strickland being right up there), the abandonment of Piniro ball and the ouster of Stu Jackson, of losing Johnny Newman to free agency — all of that is being directed towards Ewing.

It ain't right, OK, Ewing may not like it in New York. Maybe he does want more money. How many of you are satisfied with your job situation? How many wouldn't seek a better way if we could? That's all Patrick is doing,

and it's his right.

Besides, he has not said that he doesn't like playing here, I can't give that explanation any more credence than what Patrick said, that "it's about freedom of choice."

And let's not hear that tired, worn out phrase about Patrick not bringing New York a championship. Any nut would know that one man does not a championship bring. This is not the 1940 George Mikan days, folks.

This is the 90's, where high-flying, shake-and-bake 6-6 and 6-8 players rule, not cowers who can be tripped-steamed in the lane during crunch time. Ewing would be an integral part of any championship team — just give him some help and stop expecting him to do things that centers just don't do these days.

After saying all of this, it hurts me that Patrick might want to leave, especially with Pat Riley coming in to coach. Things seem to be looking up for the Knicks. But I cannot fault the brother for seeking the right to determine his own destiny. Can you?

Mayor's Mets head to playoffs

NEWARK — Mayor Sharpe James and the Mayor's Mets rolled over the team from Newark's Beth Israel Hospital with a 7-0 victory in a recent, City of Newark Softball League game held at Kasberger Field.

However, in a game the preceeding week, the Mets did not have it nearly so easy. In a real nail-biter, the contest went down to the last swing before the Mets pulled out a 13-12 victory over the Finance Department's team.

Mayor James' team has posted a 9-2 league record and is headed toward the playoffs.

In the first inning of the Beth Israel game, Robert Braswell started the fireworks with a single then John Baker got on base next with another single. Both players were brought home by a long, RBI single by Irving Soto.

During the second inning, Kenny Grant smacked a solo homerun to put the Mets up 3-0, and the team never looked back. In the tug-of-war against Finance, Braswell got things cooking with a first inning single. Grant then smacked a double to left field and Baker got on with a single. Derrick Foster then blasted a grand-slam homer.

The Finance team kept things close by answering the runs with a string of singles and doubles, and

nearily error-free defense. In the second inning, Foster stayed true to form, driving in three more runs with another homer. Kent Thomas drove in two more runs with a triple and Valerie Manning ripped a triple in the fifth inning. With the unusually high number of Met errors, the game was nip and tuck right up to the last out. Dane Holt wallpopped a double in the sixth to provide the Mets' margin of victory.

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Newark forum allows families to reprove police brutality

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of police brutality." It's become a personal vendetta," Carlton Mayse added. Tayari strongly urged the state to establish new police guidelines and to create a permanent commission to collect all data of police brutality. He also encouraged residents to form a defense fund to cover all legal expenses arising from litigation against police departments.

When an allegation of police brutality is made, the police officer and victim involved should have their names automatically publicized, Tayari said. He also favors a civilian review board to hear claims.

"We are serious," Tayari explained. "This is a war."

Some members of the audience talked about how race relations are looking "pretty grim," indicative of the need to rekindle the civil rights movement.

"It is our tax dollars that pay these killer cops," Jehu Jones of Jersey City said to an applauding audience. "How many cops have gone to jail for killing one of us." He urged the crowd to maintain "community-control of the police."

Others in attendance said the issue of police shootings and beatings are only the "tip of the iceberg," that relations between police and minorities "will get worse before it gets better."

Rev. Sharpston surprised the audience when he strolled into the conference room and took the podium moments later. He told cheering spectators that many of the brutality acts are not just coincidences.

"We've got a bad situation if we can't put bad cops in jail," he concluded.

The parents of Phillip Pannell, informed the audience that they have a "50/50 chance of winning" their police brutality lawsuit. Pannell's father, Phillip Pannell, Sr. said, "This thing's got to stop. I'll march but I'm tired of marching. I'd rather die on my feet."

More acts of brutality were recounted as families of those shot or harmed by police in Jersey City and Plainfield told their personal stories.

Relative of Maximino Clinton, killed July 16 by Jersey City police in a dispute over a summons, and Santana Hannah, who was found hanged in his jail cell, were also there to recall to their encounters with police brutality.

At Duncan, an area resident said, "These cops don't have the right to act as judge, jury and executioner. It's time for us to carry the torch."

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